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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Project No. 14406-000

NOTICE OF APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING
AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, PROTESTS,
RECOMMENDATIONS, AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Type of Application: Conduit Exemption
- b. Project No.: 14406-000
- c. Date filed: May 9, 2012, and supplemented on July 11 and July 25, 2012.
- d. Applicant: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (San Francisco PUC)
- e. Name of Project: University Mound Reservoir Renewable Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The proposed University Mound Reservoir Renewable Hydroelectric Project would be located adjacent to the existing McLaren Pumping Plant which is located at the Northwest corner of the intersection at Bowdoin Street and Woosley Street in San Francisco, California. The project would use the existing Crystal Springs Pipelines (CSPL1 and CSPL2), which ultimately deliver water from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's Water Supply and Treatment Divisions transmission system (located in San Mateo County on the San Francisco peninsula) to the University Mound Reservoir south and north basins (located in San Francisco). The land on which all the project structures are located is owned by the applicant.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 USC 791a - 825r
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. John Doyle, Manager Energy Infrastructure, Planning and Development, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, Power Enterprise Division, 1155 Market Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, California 94103; telephone (415) 554-0725.

i. FERC Contact: Kim Carter, telephone (202) 502-6486, and e-mail address Kim.Carter@ferc.gov.

j. Status of Environmental Analysis: This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

k. Deadline for filing responsive documents: Due to the small size of the proposed project, as well as the resource agency consultation letters filed with the application, the 60-day timeframe specified in 18 CFR 4.43(b) for filing all comments, motions to intervene, protests, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions is shortened to 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments filed in response to comments submitted by any resource agency, Indian tribe, or person, must be filed with the Commission within 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

l. Description of Project: The proposed University Mound Reservoir Renewable Hydroelectric Project would consist of: (1) a new intake on the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's existing 42-inch-diameter Crystal Springs Pipeline No. 1, connecting to a new 24-inch-diameter, 68-foot-long intake pipeline; (2) a new intake on the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's existing 60-inch-diameter Crystal Springs Pipeline No. 2, connecting to a new 36-inch-diameter, approximately 40-foot-long intake pipeline; (3) a new, 36.5 feet-wide by 41.5 feet-long, 1-story Mission Style powerhouse, containing 3 turbine/generator units, each rated 80.3 kW, for a total installed capacity of 240.9 kW; (4) a new 36-inch-diameter, 40-foot-long pipeline that discharges to the 60-inch-diameter Crystal Springs Pipeline No. 2; (5) a new 24-inch-diameter, 67-foot-long pipeline that discharges to the 42-inch-diameter Crystal Springs Pipeline No. 1; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated annual generation of 1,586,494 kilowatt-hours.

m. This filing is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. The

filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, here P-14406, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for review and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Development Application -- Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

o. Notice of Intent -- A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit a competing development application. A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

p. Protests or Motions to Intervene -- Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

q. All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and eight copies to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the

particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

r. Waiver of Pre-filing Consultation: The applicant requested agencies to support the waiver of the Commission's consultation requirements under 18 CFR 4.38(c). In June 2011, the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service advised by written correspondence that they do not require further consultation. The Bay Area Regional Water Quality Control Board advised that they had no plans to send comments. The Office of Historic Preservation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 9, California Department of Fish and Game, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Water Resources Division of Dam Safety, and the California Division of Dam Safety and Inspections were contacted by phone and verbally responded that they will not be replying in writing, nor would they comment on the application. Therefore, we intend to accept the consultation that has occurred on this project during the pre-filing period and we intend to waive pre-filing consultation under section 4.38(c), which requires, among other things, conducting studies requested by resource agencies, and distributing and consulting on a draft exemption application.

Dated: July 26, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.